



April 9,2021

Elysian Valley Riverside Neighborhood Council

On March 16,2021 the Rampart Village Neighborhood Council passed a resolution regarding support for the Los Angeles City Planning Commission to be elected by the people of the City of Los Angeles.

The Elysian Valley Riverside Neighborhood council supports the resolution from the Rampart Neighborhood Council presented by Racheal Rose Lucky (President) for the City of Los Angeles City Planning Commission to be elected by the people of the city of Los Angeles and not be appointed to preserve the principles of democracy in our city.

We currently feel that there is too much power in the hands of the Mayor and city council with appointments. We also believe that it is undemocratic to appoint than to elect the people who will approve anything that will affect the great people of the city of Los Angeles.

THEREFORE, we move that the Elysian Valley Riverside Neighborhood Council take a position to support the letter from the Rampart Village Neighborhood Council for the Los Angeles City Planning Commission to be elected and not appointed to preserve the principles of democracy.

Alejandro Palomino
Elysian Valley Riverside Neighborhood Council / President



Resolution Regarding
SUPPORT for the Planning Commission
to be Elected Positions

March 16, 2021

Rachael Rose Luckey, President | Ronee Reece, Vice President
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The Los Angeles City Mayor is elected by and accountable to the People of Los Angeles however the Planning Commission is not and therefore they are beholden to the Mayor and not the people of Los Angeles.

The board of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission is composed of nine (9) citizens appointed by the Mayor and accountable only to the Mayor and not the citizens of the city. The Los Angeles City Planning Commission is responsible for recommending approval and rejection of new development projects across the City as well as weighing in on Community Plan updates and zoning changes, and they should represent the voice of the people. However, meeting after meeting, after public comment after public comment, they do not heed that voice.

Every citizen of the City of Los Angeles is impacted by the Planning Commission's decisions and should have a say on who is on the commission to make sure those decisions are equitable for everyone.

In this way, we can have a City Hall more in line with the principles of democracy by divesting power currently held by the city's executive office.

THEREFORE I move the RVNC take a position of SUPPORT for the LA City Council to bring forward a motion, and to pass such motion, instructing the LA City Attorney to return, within 30 days of the passage of the motion, with a proposed amendment to the Los Angeles City Charter for the ballot in 2022 to make the members of the Los Angeles Planning Commission board elected positions and as elected by the citizens of Los Angeles.

PRESENTED BY: Rachael Rose Luckey

SECONDED BY: Lara Morrison

YES: 6 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 ABSENT: 0 INELIGIBLE: 0

ON THIS DATE: March 16, 2020